RAJASTHAN : Bikaner, Jaipur, Jaiselmer, Jodhpur, Kota and Udaipur.

TAMIL NADU : Coimbatore, Chennai, Madura, Salem, Tirucharapalli, Tuticorin and Vellore.

TRIPURA : Agartala, Kailashahar, Kamalpur and Khowai.

UTTAR PRADESH : Agra, Allababad, Gorakhpur, Kanpur (Civil), Kanpur (Chakeri), Lalitpur, Lucknow, Varanasi and Jhansi.

UTTARANCHAL : Dehradun and Pant Nagar.

WEST BENGAL : Bagdora, Balurghat, Behala, Kolkata, Cooch Behar, Malda and Asansol.

DELHI : IGI Airport Palam and Safdarjung Airport.

ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR : Port Blair.

CHANDIGARH : Chandigarh.

LAKSHWADEEP : Agatti.

PONDICHERRY : Pondicherry.

New Airport at Devanhalli, Bangalore with private participation

3821. SHRI RAJU PARMAR :

SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleaded to states :

(a) whether the International Airport with private participation is likely to be set up at Devanhalli, Bangalore;

(b) whether the only bidder selected namely Siemens AG of Germany is facing problems at Government level for clearing the project;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) by when the project is likely to be cleared by Government?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) (a) to (d) : The Government has approved, in principle, the proposal of the State Government of Karnataka for construction of a new green-field international airport at Devanhalli, Bangalore under Joint Venture with private sector participation. The process of selection of Joint Venture Partner (JVP) has made substantial progress. State Government of Karnataka has nominated a Negotiation

team for discussion with JVP in the Bangalore International Airport Project. Regular interaction is being held with the proposed JVP.

Provision of Collision Warning System in Aircrafts

3822. SHRI P. SOUNDARARAJAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have drawn any scheme to equip all the passenger aircrafts with Collision Warning System to avoid mid-air collision;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of air misses which have been reported during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Since 1.1.99, it has been made mandatory for all aircraft having seating capacity of more than 30 and all up-weight of more than 5700 kgs. to install Air Collision Avoidance System (ACAS) in the Indian airspace, to reduce the risk of mid-air collision between aircraft. At present, all aeroplanes falling in this category are installed with this System.

(c) Total 9 air misses have been reported during the last 3 years.

Improvement of surveillance System

3823. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to guard national and international airports of the country from terrorist attacks after the recent incident on Sri Lankan international airports;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government will give special emphasis on satellite-based communication, improving surveillance system in and around the airports; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. All security measures as prescribed by the International Civil Aviation Organisation in Annex-17 to the Convention on Security are strictly followed.